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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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and File-Based Data Storage

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Examiner

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In response to the Official Action mailed May 31, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of this reply.

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated 05/31/2007, the period for response to which extends through 08/31/2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the patentability of the claimed invention in view of the remarks and amendments to the claims submitted herewith.

A Listing of the claims begins on page 3 of this response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 24 of this response.

Summary of the Office Action

Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 37, 39-43, 52-59, 69-76, 86-93 and 103-105 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over **Heilig et al.**, U.S. PGPUB 2002/0046262, in view of **Britton et al.**, U.S. Patent No. 6,654,814.

Claims 44-51, 60-68, 77-85 and 94-102 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over **Heilig et al.** in view of **Britton et al.** and further in view of **Kao**, U.S. Patent 5,870,734.

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

The 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejections to claims 37 and 39-105 are respectfully traversed.